ABSTRACT

In an exemplary method implementation, a method includes: receiving a packet requesting a new connection at a forwarding component; sending the packet from the forwarding component to a classifying component; selecting, by the classifying component, a route for the new connection; and plumbing, by the classifying component, the route for the new connection by causing a new entry to be added in a local routing table of the forwarding component. In an exemplary media implementation, one or more processor-accessible media include processor-executable instructions that, when executed, enable a system to perform actions including: receiving a first packet for a connection at first forwarding functionality; plumbing a route for the connection at the first forwarding functionality; receiving a second packet for the connection at second forwarding functionality; and plumbing the route for the connection at the second forwarding functionality using a distributed session tracking table.